

SACRIFICE

Holiday Novelties!

Although our HOLIDAY TRADE has been BRISK and our Sales immense, we still have an elegant stock of NOVELTIES and Fancy Goods, suitable for NEW YEAR PRESENTS, to be had in abundance. Do not fail to call and look through our stock, as we have made decided reductions in order to clear off the balance of Holiday Goods. Our Store will be OPEN ON NEW YEAR'S DAY.

J. T. NUSBAUM,

Opp. Public Square, Bank Street, Lehigh-ton, Pa. June 7, 1894-17.

The Carbon Advocate.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1885.

SPECIAL NOTICE.—Persons making payments to this office by money orders or postal notes will please make them payable at the Weisport Post Office, as the Lehigh-ton office is now a money order office.

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Any person who takes a paper regularly from the post office, whether directed to his name or otherwise, is a subscriber or taker, and is responsible for the payment of the same. He is also liable for the payment of the same if he has directed the publisher to take the paper and pay for it from the post office, or if he has directed the publisher to take the paper and pay for it from the post office, or if he has directed the publisher to take the paper and pay for it from the post office.

Our Neighborhood in Brief.

Ladies who habitually suffer from headache or dyspepsia will find a true friend in Dr. Bull's Baltimore Bile Beans. Try them. Twenty-five cents. The baby's best friend is Dr. Bull's Bile Beans, since it maintains the baby's health by keeping it free from colic, diarrhea, &c. Price 25 cents.

This is a great country for raising stock, and therefore Day's Horse Powder has a great sale at 25 cents per package of one pound. Mrs. Elizabeth Brelsford died at Mauch Chunk on Saturday morning. She was aged seventy-nine years.

Go to Frs. Roderer, under the Exchange Hotel, for a smooth shave and a fashionable hair cut. Thomas Murphy, a Justice of the Peace at Centralia, Columbia county, has been disposed for receiving illegal fees.

When an article is sold "no cure, no pay," why not try it? That is the way Jadwin's tar syrup for coughs, colds and croup, is sold at Thomas'. Thomas K. Reichard, Clerk of the Orphans' Court of Northampton county, was stricken with paralysis on the 17th inst., and died the following day.

No wonder that people complain of hard times when they pay 50c for a bottle of cough syrup, no larger than a 25c bottle of Jadwin's tar syrup, which is sold "no cure, no pay." Thomas sells it. The social hour at the Carbon House on Friday evening was a very pleasant little affair.

Save half your cough medicine bills by buying a 25c bottle of Jadwin's tar syrup, which contains 3 ounces, while no other cough syrup contains over 1-1/2. Sold at Thomas' drug store. James Cooper, charged with an attempt to assault a little girl at Emery, Columbia county, was on the 17th inst., sentenced to pay a fine of \$50 and undergo an imprisonment of one year.

Claus & Bro., The Tailors, still have a few of those justly celebrated \$10 suitings on hand. It is the poor man's friend, but the rich man uses it also; because it is the best quality and largest bottle for the price, and is sold "no cure, no pay." We refer to Jadwin's tar syrup. Sold at Thomas'.

Have you secured a ticket for the Oriole Club's grand ball on New Year's Eve? If not you should do so at once. If you have on hand a full line of heavy blankets, robes, light and heavy harness, collars, whips, &c., all of which I am selling at low prices. MILTON FLOYD, Weisport, Pa.

For the week ending Dec. 17, there were 150,838 tons of coal shipped over the Lehigh Valley railroad, making a total of 457,607 tons, and showing a decrease of 17,810 tons compared with the same time last year.

An all-wood imported Corkscrew Suit for only \$22, at the popular tailoring establishment of H. H. Peters. While John Miskki was feeding a pair of rollers at the Darringer coal-breaker, near Hazleton, on the 17th inst., he lost his balance and fell between the rollers and his whole body was drawn through them and crushed to a jelly.

William Forney, who has been confined in the Northampton county jail for some time, charged with blowing up an engine-house at Danielesville, in that county, and causing the death of Joseph Snyder, an engineer, has been discharged for want of evidence.

President Cleveland has substantially remembered the crew of the Lehigh Valley train that carried him on his way to Buffalo to vote. He sent Matthews, who had charge of the train from here to Buffalo, \$25; another conductor and brakeman, \$10 each, and the engineer and fireman, \$5 each. They will be very happy to have him again and often.

All plasters are not alike. Hop Plasters afford relief and cure when other kinds are worthless. Harleigh and Eberharts Mines, near Hazleton, have been thrown into ill-repute by floods from Black Creek. Both collieries will probably be idle most of the winter, throwing 600 men out of employment and causing a loss of \$200,000.

Our young friend Jake E. was completely "broke up" Sunday evening. It occurred at the gate, he said, "I'm home, now you can go home." Jakey has our sympathy. Sheriff Lantz has rented one of Leonard Yaeger's fine new three-story dwelling houses on West Broadway, Mauch Chunk, and will take possession of the same on January 1st, after the expiration of his term of office. The Sheriff expects to make Mauch Chunk his future place of residence.

The Presbyterian church at Hokendauqua was very largely attended last Sunday. The pastor, Rev. James A. Little delivered discourses morning and evening, appropriate to approaching Christmas; and the Hokendauqua church choir sang some most beautiful anthems.

Salvation Oil, the greatest cure on earth for pain, has no equal. Persons suffering from rheumatism, neuralgia, or from cuts, bruises, sprains, &c., should not be without it. Price only 25 cents.

What is the whole duty of a married man? asks the new conjugal catechism. To be agreeable to his wife and keep Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup in the house for the children when they get a cold, of course. Ask us something harder.

For \$2.00 we will club the CARBON ADVOCATE with the American Agriculturist, 100 columns and 100 engravings in each issue. 40th year, \$1.50 a year. Send three 2-cent stamps for sample copy (English or German) and Premium List of the oldest and best agricultural journal in the world. Address, Publishers American Agriculturist, 751 Broadway, New York.

E. P. Lockbach, 61 Broadway, Mauch Chunk, is in the field with his handsome new catalogue of new publications and goods for the Holidays. His stock embraces all the latest new Books, Games, Grammatical Stations, and Novelties of foreign and domestic design. When you go to Mauch Chunk visit his store and see his immense stock of goods. He will greet you kindly.

Allentown's spike factory has started up. Freight business on the Lehigh Valley Railroad is brisk. In point of medicinal power and excellence Hop Plasters are far ahead of all others. 25 cts.

A special committee of Easton's Town Council has reported favorably to that borough procuring an electric-light plant.

H. H. Peters, at the Post-office building, Lehigh-ton, will make you an all-wood suit for only \$10 cash, if you order now.

The Pennsylvania Coal Company's gravity road near Scranton has wound up its business and the removal of the plant began on Saturday.

Oscar Smoyer, of South Bethlehem, convicted at Easton of horse-stealing, forgery and embezzlement, has been sentenced to jail for four years and five months.

Dr. C. T. Horn Lehigh-ton and W. F. Biery Weisport, would specially recommend to the ladies Acker's Dyspepsia Tablets. As a laxative they have no equal. They are guaranteed to cure Chronic Constipation, Dyspepsia, and all diseases arising from a deranged stomach. With a free use of the Tablets, Sick Headache is impossible.

Dr. Henry Detweiler, of Easton, was ninety years old on Friday. He is the oldest homoeopathic physician in this country in active practice and has spent his entire professional life in Eastern Pennsylvania. He is still a leading physician in Easton.

H. J. Boyer is being urged as the successor of Thomas K. Reichard, Clerk of Orphans' Court of Northampton county, who died suddenly last week. Mr. Boyer was Mr. Reichard's predecessor and offers to give half the salary he receives to the family of his dead friend.

Bilheimer Smith, of Weatherly, will shortly take charge of the Veraz House, at that place. There are scores of persons who are suffering from some form of blood disorder or skin disease, such as Scrofula, Boils, etc., etc. After a practical test, Dr. C. T. Horn Lehigh-ton and W. F. Biery Weisport, assert that Acker's Blood Elixir will certainly cure all such diseases, including Syphilis and Eczema. It is not a patent nostrum, but a scientific preparation. They guarantee it.

In an early freight train that passed over the Lehigh & Susquehanna Railroad Saturday, were two carloads of Christmas trees consigned to Philadelphia from White Haven.

Samuel Gangwere, of Weatherly, recently slaughtered a fat porker which tipped the scales at 563 pounds.

Our genial friend Mertz, is a papa. It is a bouncing baby girl. Mother and child are doing well. Mertz says, "I'd rather have two boys," and declares he will have the babe christened "Enough."

The bar room and reading room of the Carbon House has been repaired and repapered and presents a handsome appearance.

A 12-year-old son of E. J. Kilim was instantly killed at Port Clinton by his head being caught between the bumpers of two cars.

Dr. C. T. Horn Lehigh-ton and W. F. Biery Weisport wish to state that they have at last found an article that can sell on its merits. It is with pleasure they guarantee to the public Acker's English Remedy as a sure and never-failing cure for Asthma, Coughs, Whooping Cough, Croup, and all Lung Troubles. It is the standard remedy for Consumption. They have never found its equal.

Jacob Flommer, of Minersville, fell under a train on the Mine Hill Railroad and was ground to pieces, his remains being gathered up in a sheet.

The Court at Pottsville appointed J. Oliver Rhoads commissioner of Schuylkill county in place of John Leonard, ousted from office on a conviction of bribery.

A smash-up of a coal train in the Nesquehoning tunnel, near Tamniqua, caused the bursting of a water-main and the tunnel was flooded until late in the afternoon.

A number of our young men are drawing up a set of good resolutions, to go into effect on January 1st. They say "it's much fun, but it costs plenty money. Come 'ere now!"—"Original."

The Exchange Hotel bar room has been repaired and looks very pretty. Robert McDougall, of North street, Bethlehem, wanted to go to Allentown to see Gus Williams, Saturday night and attempted to jump on a Lehigh Valley coal train. He had both legs cut off and was removed to St. Luke's Hospital.

The Clymer Family, assisted by the Broist brothers, gave one of their popular entertainments in School Hall, this place, last Monday evening. The musical performance by Misses Lulu, Lanna, Hattie and Lizzie Clymer was simply immense, as was evidenced by the prolonged applause which followed the rendition of the various vocal and instrumental solos and duets. The Broist brothers were loudly applauded in their high kicking, double-bass solo, grotesque dancing, &c. All present were pleased and speak highly of the performance.

Israel Trecker, aged 70, who, though well off, spent most of his time picking up coal along the Lehigh and Susquehanna Railroad, near Allentown, was struck and killed by a passing train Tuesday.

The engineer at a foundry in Easton is John Brunner, a member of Council in that place. Mr. Brunner saves the borough expense by cremating all the dead dogs and cats found in the streets under his furnace fires.

The Pennsylvania Coal Company at Pittston has closed, for an indefinite period, shafts Nos. 4, 5, 6, 7 and 11, No. 1 tunnel and No. 2 slope. This will throw over one thousand men and boys out of employment.

The Oriole Club of this place will give a grand ball on New Year's Eve, which promises to be a delightful affair. Music will be furnished by the Marion Orchestra, of Mauch Chunk. Tickets, admitting gent and ladies, \$1.00.

Xmas is here, and so is David Ebert, the popular liverman, prepared to furnish all who call with excellent teams at low charges. Livery on North street, this borough.

Wednesday afternoon, at Tamniqua, George Sherry, aged 70 years, made an unsuccessful attempt to commit suicide by cutting his throat with a razor. He will recover.

Pleasant Corner Items.—Our sportsmen are doing deadly work just at present. Miss Beliz, of Beltsville, was the guest of Miss Emma Gerber, on last Saturday.

The officers appointed in St. John's church for the ensuing year are: Josiah Miller, Nathan Gerber, Harrison Miller, Chas Fritz and Chas. Remaly. Miss May Keby, of this place, is sojourning with Trenton, N. J., friends.

Franklin Items.—The Walleksville Sunday School will hold a festival on Christmas afternoon, and the Big Creek S. S. on Christmas morning.

Mr. Archibald Campbell has given up housekeeping and lives with his son at Brooksideville. Molest Buff will have seen, if he lives until Jan. 1, 1886; eighty-six birthdays. He was born A. D. 1800.

The Freeman Bros. expect to raise 500 chickens next season. They will run two incubators, and hatch some through their lady chickens. CLEAR GRIT.

G. A. R. Sermon.—As per announcement Rev. Geo. W. Gross delivered a G. A. R. sermon in the Evangelical church, this borough, on last Sunday evening. The rev. gentleman spoke for nearly an hour to one of the largest audiences that ever assembled in meeting in any edifice in this place. He vividly recalled the various hardships, &c., of the soldiers of the "front." His remarks all through were brimful of expressions of patriotism for "America, the land of the free."

The members of John Bertolotto Post, 484 G. A. R. of town, were present and express themselves as being highly pleased with the sermon.

Officers Elected.—At the annual election for officers of John D. Bertolotto Post, 484, G. A. R. of this borough, the following persons were elected for the ensuing year.

Post Commander, Jos. S. Webb. S. V. Com., H. H. Mroslman. Quartermaster, W. C. McCormick. Chaplain, Nathan Reimnitz. Surgeon, J. G. Zern, M. D. Officer of the Guard, Alvin Hofford. Ordinance Sergeant, Lewis Guggus. Council of Administration, J. G. Zern, 3 years; J. T. McDaniel, 2 years; H. D. Hantz, 1 year.

Representative to Dep't. Encampment, H. V. Mortimer, Jr. Alternate, Wm. C. McCormick.

Wreck on the L. & S.—Tuesday morning, about 6:30 o'clock a wreck occurred on the Lehigh and Susquehanna directly in front of the Mansion House, Mauch Chunk. Freight train No. 27, drawn by engine No. 292, John Strumblen, engineer, ran into a portion of coal train No. 69, drawn by engine No. 309, George Hall engineer. The cause of the accident was owing to the breaking of the coal train, which being detached, the freight train, coming into collision with the coal cars, wrecking six of them, and blocking up both tracks.

The wrecking crew at once went to work, and in about one and a half hours the northbound track was cleared. The down passenger train due at Mauch Chunk at 7:15 a. m. was detained about forty-five minutes. None of the trainmen were hurt.

Says She is Pappy.—A Wilkesbarre despatch says: About six weeks ago the wife of Alfred Krothe, proprietor of the La Pierre House, one of the largest hotels in Wilkesbarre, eloped with one of her boarders, Chas. M. Phoenix, a well-known young attorney of that city. At the time the episode created quite a sensation, both parties being well-known and Phoenix being engaged to a handsome young lady of that place. For a long time the whereabouts of the pair was unknown, but word was received Monday that the pair were living in Solon, Ia. Mrs. Krothe says she is happy and means to stay in her new home. Phoenix will go in business there. Mr. Krothe says he will not go after his wife; that if she likes somebody else better than himself she is welcome to him.—Philadelphia Times.

Christmas in the Lehigh-ton Schools.—Wednesday afternoon was the scene of a number of very happy occurrences in the schools of this borough, in which the teachers seemed to fare exceedingly well. In the high school, David Miller a member of the A. class, asked the teacher permission to "make a speech," and in an excellent speech, in behalf of the school, he presented the teacher, Mr. J. Frank Barr, a costly gold pen and pencil. The teacher was taken completely by surprise, and in a few well chosen words thanked his pupils for this manifestation of their good will and respect.

The other teachers also fared very well by receiving many tokens of regard, and taken as a whole it shows that though there may be an occasional "riffle" in the stream of school life, still, these little remembrances show that the pupils love their teachers and appreciate the work they do for them.

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People in and out of Town.—Our people who may have relatives or friends visiting them will greatly oblige us by sending us a line from time to time (for publication under this head.—EDITOR.)

M. O. Kuntz spent Sunday in Allentown.

Mrs. W. W. Morthimer was visiting relatives at Lehigh Gap during the week.

Our young friend Thos. Kuntz, of Treichler's Station, was in town last Sunday.

Our genial friend Al. K. Leuckel, a student at Lehigh University, is home for the holidays.

Our young friend A. M. Mehrkam, of the Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, is spending his holiday vacation at home, in this place.

Mr. J. Frank Barr, the principal of the Lehigh-ton schools, left Wednesday night for Pittsburgh, where he will spend part of the holiday season with his uncle, Dr. A. M. Barr.

Our young friend, Andrew J. Balliet, of New Mahoning, who has been in attendance at the Myerstown Academy for some time past, is home for the holidays looking well and feeling happy.

Subscription's Received.—During the month of December for the CARBON ADVOCATE: E. H. Snyder, Lehigh-ton, \$1.00; A. S. Wessner, North Penn P. O., \$1.00; John E. Miller, North Penn, \$1.00; John T. Nostrom, Lehigh-ton, \$1.00; John Lantz, Weisport, \$1.00; James Lehigh, Lehigh-ton, \$1.00; Thos. Path, Lehigh-ton, \$1.00; Thos. Bellinger, Lehigh-ton, \$1.00; Al. Campbell, Lehigh-ton, \$1.00; P. E. Lantz, Lehigh-ton, \$1.00; J. W. Heitinger, Lehigh-ton, \$1.00; F. E. Siewers, Mauch Chunk, \$1.00; John Miller, Mauch Chunk, \$1.00; Sam'l Heller, Mauch Chunk, \$1.00; Jos. Schmidt, Mauch Chunk, \$1.00; Rev. A. J. Hays, Summit Hill, \$1.00; Wm. Ober, Lehigh-ton, \$1.00; W. Schwartz, Lehigh-ton, \$1.00; Wm. Miller, Lehigh-ton, \$1.00; J. D. Miller, Lehigh-ton, \$1.00; J. A. Koch, Sellersville, Pa., \$1.00; Thos. Mellor, Nesquehoning, \$1.00; J. F. Rex, East Weisport, \$1.00; Dennis Wentz, Parryville, \$1.00; E. J. Hays, Summit Hill, \$1.00; Dillide Snyder, Parryville, \$1.00; J. W. Heitinger, Lehigh-ton, \$1.00; Jacob Sells, Parryville, \$1.00; Ed. Haber, East Weisport, \$1.00; J. W. Heitinger, Lehigh-ton, \$1.00; Mrs. Conner Weisport, \$1.00; N. S. Miller, Lehigh-ton, \$1.00; Leonard Heis, Mauch Chunk, \$1.00; J. A. Balliet, Myerstown, Pa., \$1.00; Wm. H. Sledge, Lehigh-ton, \$1.00.

Anthracite Coal Prices.—A Philadelphia despatch of the 19th inst., says: The anthracite coal companies have informally given notice that prices and freights are to advance on Jan. 1. The advance proposed is 25 cents per ton—15 cents on coal and 10 cents on freights. "The result of this," said a maker of pig iron Saturday, "will be to stop work on every anthracite blast furnace that is preparing to go into operation." There have been advances recently made in the best grades of pig iron amounting to about 50 cents on No. 1, and 25 cents on some of the lower grades, and it is thought that anthracite companies regard this as a sufficient basis for advancing prices. It is calculated that at least fifteen blast furnaces in the Schuylkill and Lehigh valleys will be put in operation by the middle of next month if the anthracite companies do not make the proposed advance, and ten furnaces that are ready to stop are only awaiting the decision of the anthracite companies before blowing out. It is estimated that the advance would result in a loss to the Lehigh Valley and Reading Railroad Companies of 800,000 tons of freight per annum from furnaces which would go out of blast and from enterprises which would under present rates go into operation.

A Mysterious Murder at Catawqua.—Tuesday morning at nine o'clock, when Michael Murphy and his son entered Benjamin Kiefer's barn at Catawqua to do some threshing, they discovered a man lying on the straw when they at first thought was asleep, but when the noise of the threshing did not disturb him they made an examination and found he was dead. There was a half above the left ear. There were bruises on his head which showed that the man had been beaten with a club or stone and then stabbed to make the murderous work more sure.

The nature of the man's injuries and other circumstances preclude the idea of suicide. No trace of the weapons that inflicted death has as yet been obtained, either cigar or whiskey, was found with the dead man. No one knows who he is and it is not known that he has ever been seen in Catawqua. From a card found on his person it appears that he is a Pole and at one time had charge of a gang of twelve men. As the inscription on the card is in Polish, and as no one has been found to translate it, nothing definite as to the man's identity has been learned. He was lying on a bedtick such as emigrants bring with them in the steerage. From this it is inferred that he had not long been in this country. His shoes are missing. His age seems to be about 35 years; height 5 feet 7 inches; weight, about 145 pounds. He has sandy hair and an intelligent look.

Tuesday night, shortly after nine o'clock, a man who said he was from Hazleton and had been attacked between Catawqua and Hokendauqua by a gang of thugs and stabbed, was looking for a doctor in Catawqua, but on Wednesday no traces of the man could be found. Wednesday morning four tramps were arrested in Catawqua on suspicion of being concerned in the murder. They are in the town lock-up. There are circumstances which seem to make a strong case against the tramps. On the person of one of them was found a formidable looking knife. The case is under an inquest Wednesday afternoon, but little light was thrown on the affair. A verdict was rendered to the effect that the man came to his death from blows with a club or stone and the stab in the head at the hands of a person or persons unknown. Detectives are at work on the case, but the prospects of its being unraveled are not very promising.

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A Mine Disaster at Nanticoke.—A terrible result followed when Oliver Kivier fired a blast in No. 1 slope of the Pennsylvania Coal Company's workings at Nanticoke last Friday morning. Huge masses of rock came down and in another instant water flooded in, filling up the gangway, and bringing with it an immense quantity of quicksand. In less time than it takes to tell it the water had filled up the gangway to a depth of five and six feet, and a desperate struggle took place on the part of the miners to escape the deluge. All escaped except the following persons: William Kivier, Oliver Kivier, Frank Kivier, Abram Lewis, Edward Lewis, William Denny, Thomas Clifford, William Donahue, William Elkie, Isaac Sarber, Andrew Lowe, John Schutt, John Hawks, John Sarbe, Albert Schlitz, Edward Hargrave, Edward Matthews.

The presumption is that the men still occupy their respective chambers and are above the water level, but if they have escaped drowning there is great danger that death will result from foul air or starvation. Between the imprisoned men and the air shaft there are, it is estimated, fully sixty feet of coal, rock and debris. To dig this out or tunnel through it is the work that is watched with interest by hundreds of people.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Dec. 20.—To-day was the gloomiest Sunday ever witnessed in Nanticoke. Thousands of people poured into the town in vehicles, on horseback and on foot. Hundreds of them gathered in groups around the various workings, where they discussed the situation of the men imprisoned in the flooded mine.

The rescuing party worked with a will this morning, and in one hour they cleared away twenty-seven feet. The fact that the quicksand is not piled up to the roof allows the air to circulate, and if the men lived through Saturday they will not die of suffocation. An important fact established is that the men must have escaped to the highest part of the mine in the flood, which will require weeks of labor, and the loss to the company will be great. The miners will not return to work until the bodies of their comrades are found.

The superintendent of the Susquehanna Coal Company has telegraphed to the officials to spare neither pains nor money to get the missing men. The rescuing party consists of 100 men—as many as can work in the place.

At 6 o'clock to-night, when the rescuers were within twenty feet of where the men are supposed to be, they knocked on the pipes which run through the gangway but received no response.

The first report, which obtained wide currency, that the disaster was caused by a blast fired by Oliver Kivier, is now denied by the officials of the company. They say that the real cause of the disaster was a settling of about one hundred and fifty yards of the floor of a new tunnel, in which fifty-two men were at work. This settling caused the sides of the tunnel to bulge and made a break in the roof of the tunnel, which left a hole large enough for two men to pass themselves through. By this break a twenty foot vein of quicksand was hurled into the tunnel. The quicksand underlay the surface above, which was a mammoth culm bank, over fifty feet in extent and two hundred and fifty feet high. Following the quicksand thousands of tons of the culm pressed into the tunnel and with it came water from a pond under the culm, which is estimated to have contained upwards of 20,000,000 gallons and which was, as a result, drained of the last drop.

WILKESBARRE, Dec. 21.—About 9 o'clock this evening the work of the rescuing party was suddenly interrupted by another fall of sand-rock and culm. The men were working on a steep incline, when a vast mass of debris came crashing down toward them with great violence. The fall for three lives, although they escaped uninjured, several of them had very narrow escapes. The work of digging for the imprisoned men was suspended, but the officials in charge are making strenuous efforts to overcome the difficulties, and continue their labors. They hope to have matters so arranged in an hour or two, that the work may be proceeded with.

WILKESBARRE, Dec. 28.—At 12:30 this morning the mine officials at Nanticoke decided to abandon work in the color deluge and to excavate the cave-in and the presence of fire-damp. All attempts to get the missing men out alive have now been abandoned, but the work through the tunnel will be pursued steadily forward. It will probably be about two weeks before the bodies of the missing men are reached.

LATEST.—The miners have not yet been reached, and it is now believed that all are dead, still the search will be prosecuted until the bodies are found.

The Original Strohl Family.—The famous Strohl Family, will give a grand concert in School Hall on Saturday evening Dec. 26. This family consists of father, mother and eight children and are considered by many the greatest musical wonder in the country. Since this family appeared here a year or so ago, two of the sons of Prof. W. H. Strohl withdrew from the "Original Family" and organized a separate musical company which they called the "W. E. Strohl Ringing Rock Concert Company." But after a sufficient trial they disbanded and concluded it would be to their advantage pecuniarily and otherwise, to return to their father's well known and well established organization.

Consequently those two sons, W. E. Strohl and Michael Strohl have voluntarily rejoined the Original Strohl Family. Now, the members of this famous musical organization are all together again as before the separation. And, also, with the addition of Mrs. Alice A. wife of W. E. Strohl, who is an expert in both vocal and instrumental music. Thus the Strohl Family are now fully equipped and ready to travel again being better than ever before as they have the added experience that time and practice has given them. Prof. Strohl, the father, can feel a laudable pride in having such a remarkable company—in number—four playing upon nine instruments at the same time. Miss Rebecca Strohl plays upon three instruments, h. bass, bass drum and cymbals; Wm. E., Chas. W. and Alice A. Strohl each play upon two cornets all at the same time. A unusual performance probably not excelled if equaled in the world. In fact, every member of the company possesses first-class abilities in the line of their professions and either single, or combined are well worth the price of admission to the concert.

Admission 25 and 50 cts., children 25 cts.

A Celebrated Case Told.—The celebrated case of N. C. Harris, President of the Athens National Bank, against the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company, was decided Saturday by Judge P. H. Morrow of the Court of Common Pleas of Bradford county, who has been at work for three weeks upon the intricate and important case. This action has been pending for years, and grew out of the sale of the North Branch Canal to Asa Packard, on Oct. 25, 1855. In 1881 the case was referred to the Hon. Samuel Lin of Williamsport, as master and examiner, who entered upon the discharge of his duties in April of that year, and spent two years in taking testimony. It took three weeks for the counsel to sum up the case before Mr. Lin after the testimony was in.

About a year ago a decision was rendered by Mr. Lin in favor of Harris for \$172,472.92 cash. From this decision the Lehigh Valley appealed, and Judge Morrow decrees that the \$223,000 of stock formally by Harris to be due him was finally pledged by Charles T. Welles, Jr., the President of the North Branch Canal, to the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company, and that therefore the defendant is only liable as a pledgee and not otherwise; that there is due on the pledge the sum of \$99,431.02, and that on the payment by Harris of that sum he shall be entitled to 4,700 shares of the common stock of the Pennsylvania and New York Canal Railroad Company.

Harris has contended all the time that the \$223,000 for which he sued should be paid him in cash. Judge Morrow holds that it must be in common stock, and as above stated. If Harris fails to pay the \$99,431.02 within ninety days, then the 4,700 shares of common stock are to be sold at auction. From the proceeds \$99,431.02 are to be paid to the Lehigh Company and the balance to Harris. As to costs, which have been about \$20,000, Judge Lin said them on the defendant, but Judge Morrow divides them equally between Harris and the Lehigh Valley Company. This makes a great victory for the railroad.

When Christmas brings abundance Of joys that sweeten life; When the father glads the children And the husband cheers the wife; When brother's brightest sister's cheeks, And sweethearts, sweethearts' bliss, And all the world's souls glow And lips that love connect.

When Santa Claus, with twinkling gifts Takes round each person's prize, The merchant's share of getting left Who doesn't advertise.

MARRIED.—MILLS—ACKER.—On the 21st inst., by Rev. S. A. Heller, John Mills of East Mauch Chunk, to Elizabeth Acker, of Weisport.

JEREMY—WAHRY.—On the 12th inst., by Rev. W. W. McNair, at the Presbyterian parsonage, Audenried, Wm. Jeremy and Miss Belle Warren, both of Coleraine.

SEWELL—DUNCAN.—By the same, on the 10th inst., at the residence of Mrs. Jeanette Duncan, Audenried, Chas. W. Sewell, of Weisport, and Miss Agnes C. Duncan, of Audenried. The young couple have our best wishes for a prosperous journey through life.

ARNER—O'BRIEN.—On the 7th day of November, by Rev. A. Bartholomew, Mr. Daniel Arner and Miss Hattie O'Brien, both of Weisport.

MENICHI—BLOE.—On the 26th day of November, Mr. John Minich, of Weatherly, and Miss Emma Bloe, of Lower Townamensing.

REED.—On the 25th day of November, in West Penn, Daniel, husband of Rebecca Reed, aged 70 years, 2 months and 13 days.

FEARNSWATHER.—On the 2nd day of December, in East Penn, Nelson, husband of Rosa Allen Fearnsworth, aged 24 years and 13 days.

STENMACHEL.—On the 7th day of December, in West Penn, Lewis James, husband of Mary Stenmacher, aged 53 years, 2 months and 14 days.